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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application.

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Please see the attached communication regarding the response to the restriction requirement.

Applicants have attempted to comply with the restriction requirement (paper No. 9, mailed 9/27/02) by electing Group 1, and the "specie" of example 1. However, this is regarded as non-responsive. It appears that the elected specie falls within the scope of Group 2, rather than Group 1. The elected specie bears the following group at the N-terminus:

N-Ac-Sar-Gly...

In Group 1, Xaa₁ is either "absent" or is a hydrogen atom. Given that Xaa₁ must be either "absent" or a hydrogen atom, it is not apparent how the substituent variables Xaa₁-Xaa₂-Xaa₃ taken together can correspond to "N-Ac-Sar-Gly". If applicants still believe that the elected specie falls within the scope of Group 1, applicants are requested to explain this. Alternatively, it is suggested that applicants either elect a different group or a different specie.

The time for response (one month) is reset pursuant to this Office action. However, failure to elect a Group and a corresponding specie will result in abandonment of the application.

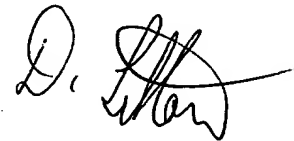
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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Lukton whose telephone number is 703-308-3213. The examiner can normally be reached Monday-Friday from 9:30 to 6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christopher Low, can be reached at (703) 308-2923. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-0196.



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